

IN THE CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:
selecting a checksuite for editing, wherein the checksuite includes one or more individual checks, each check being configured to monitor a parameter of an operating system or a software program that runs on an operating system, the checksuite applied to two or more previously selected machines having different operating systems; [[and]]
editing the checksuite; and
applying the edited checksuite to at least one of the two or more previously selected machines or one or more additional machines.
2. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein editing the checksuite further comprises:
adding one or more new individual checks to the checksuite; and
applying the edited checksuite to the one or more previously selected machines.
3. (Original) The method of Claim 2, further comprising:
selecting one or more additional machines to receive the edited checksuite; and
applying the edited checksuite to the newly selected machines.
4. (Original) The method of Claim 2, further comprising:
de-selecting at least one of the one or more machines previously selected; and
removing the edited checksuite from the deselected machines.
5. (Original) The method of Claim 2, wherein applying the edited checksuite to the one or more previously selected machines cancels any differences made to at least one of the one or more previously selected machines.
6. (Original) The method of Claim 2, wherein applying the edited checksuits to the one or more previously selected machines preserves any differences made to at least one of the one or more previously selected machines.

7. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein editing the checksuite further comprises:
deleting one or more individual checks from the checksuite; and
applying the edited checksuite to the one or more previously selected machines.
8. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising:
selecting one or more additional machines to receive the edited checksuite; and
applying the edited checksuite to the newly selected machines.
9. (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising:
de-selecting at least one of the one or more machines previously selected; and
removing the edited checksuite from the de-selected machines.
10. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein applying the edited checksuite to the one or more previously selected machines cancels any differences made to at least one of the one or more previously selected machines.
11. (Original) The method of claim 7, wherein applying the edited checksuite to the one or more previously selected machines preserves any differences made to at least one of the one or more previously selected machines.
12. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein editing the checksuite further comprises:
modifying one or more individual checks within the checksuite; and
applying the edited checksuite to the one or more previously selected machines.
13. (Original) The method of claim 12, further comprising:
selecting one or more additional machines to receive the edited checksuite; and
applying the edited checksuite to the newly selected machines.
14. (Original) The method of claim 12, further comprising:
de-selecting at least one of the one or more machines previously selected; and
removing the edited checksuite from the de-selected machines.

15. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein applying the edited checksuite to the one or more previously selected machines cancels any differences made to at least one of the one or more previously selected machines.

16. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein applying the edited checksuites to the one or more previously selected machines preserves any differences made to at least one of the one or more previously selected machines.

17. (Currently Amended) A machine-readable medium including program code, which when executed by a processor causes the processor to perform the following:

selecting a checksuite for editing, wherein the checksuite includes one or more individual checks, each check being configured to monitor a parameter of an operating system or a software program that runs on an operating system, the checksuite applied to two or more previously selected machines having different operating systems; [[and]]

editing the checksuite; and

applying the edited checksuite to at least one of the two or more previously selected machines or one or more additional machines.

18. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 17, which causes the processor to further perform:

adding one or more individual checks to the checksuite; and

applying the edited checksuite to the one or more previously selected machines.

19. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 18, which causes the processor to further perform:

selecting one or more additional machines to receive the edited checksuite; and

applying the edited checksuite to the newly selected machines.

20. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 18, which causes the processor to further perform:

de-selecting at least one of the one or more machines previously selected; and

removing the edited checksuite from the de-selected machines.

21. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 18, which causes the processor to further perform:

canceling any differences made to at least one of the one or more previously selected machines.

22. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 18, which causes the processor to further perform:

preserving any differences made to at least one of the one or more previously selected machines.

23. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 17, which causes the processor to further perform:

deleting one or more individual checks from the checksuite; and
applying the edited checksuite to the one or more previously selected machines.

24. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 23, which causes the processor to further perform:

selecting one or more additional machines to receive the edited checksuite; and
applying the edited checksuite to the newly selected machines.

25. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 23, which causes the processor to further perform:

de-selecting at least one of the one of more machines previously selected; and
removing the edited checksuite from the de-selected machines.

26. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 23, which causes the processor to further perform:

canceling any differences made to one of the one or more previously selected machines.

27. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 23, which causes the processor to further perform:
- preserving any differences made to at least one of the one or more previously selected machines.
28. (Previously Presented) The machine-readable medium of claim 17, which causes the processor to further perform:
- modifying one or more individual checks within the checksuite; and
 - applying the edited checksuite to the one or more previously selected machines.
29. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 28, which causes the processor to further perform:
- selecting one or more additional machines to receive the edited checksuite; and
 - applying the edited checksuite to the newly selected machines.
30. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 28, which causes the processor to further perform:
- de-selecting at least one of the one or more machines previously selected; and
 - removing the edited checksuite from the de-selected machines.
31. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 28, which causes the processor to further perform:
- canceling any differences made to at least one of the one or more previously selected machines.
32. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 28, which causes the processor to further perform:
- preserving any differences made to at least one of the one or more previously selected machines.
33. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

receiving a request to select a checksuite for editing, wherein the checksuite includes one or more individual checks, each check being configured to monitor a parameter of an operating system or a software program that runs on an operating system, the checksuite applied to two or more previously selected machines having different operating systems;
selecting the requested checksuite; [[and]]
editing the checksuite; and
applying the edited checksuite to at least one of the two or more previously selected machines or one or more additional machines.

34. (Original) The method of claim 33, wherein editing the checksuite further comprises:
receiving changes made to the selected checksuite;
receiving a request to save the changes made to the selected checksuite; and
saving the changes made to the selected checksuite.

35. (Original) The method of claim 33, wherein editing the checksuite further comprises:
receiving new individual checks;
adding the new individual checks to the selected checksuite;
saving the selected checksuite as modified; and
applying the modified checksuite to the one or more previously selected machines.

36. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 33, wherein editing the checksuite further comprises:
receiving a request to select one or more of the individual checks;
selecting the requested one or more individual checks;
receiving a request to delete the selected one or more individual checks;
deleting the selected one or more individual checks;
receiving a request to save the checksuite as modified;
saving the modified checksuite; and
applying the modified checksuite to the one or more machines previously selected.

37. (Original) The method of claim 33, wherein editing the checksuite further comprises:
receiving a request to select one or more individual checks within the checksuite;

selecting the one or more requested individual checks;
receiving a modification of at least one parameter of the one or more selected individual checks;
receiving a request to save the one or more individual checks as modified; and
saving the one or more modified individual checks.

38. (Original) The method of claim 37, further comprising:

receiving a request to apply the checksuite containing the one or more modified individual checks to the one or more previously selected machines; and

applying the checksuite containing the one or more modified individual checks to the one or more previously selected machines.

39. (Original) The method of claim 36, wherein applying the modified checksuite to the one or more previously selected machines preserves differences made to the one or more previously selected machines.

40. (Original) The method of claim 36, wherein applying the modified checksuite to the one or more previously selected machines cancels differences made to the one or more previously selected machines.

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57. (New) An apparatus, comprising:

a memory to store instructions; and

a processor, coupled to the memory, to execute the instructions, the instructions causing the processor to select a checksuite for editing, wherein the checksuite includes one or more individual checks, each check being configured to monitor a parameter of an operating system or a software program that runs on an operating system, the checksuite applied to two or more previously selected machines having different operating systems, to select the requested checksuite, to edit the checksuite, and to apply the edited checksuite to at least one of the two or more previously selected machines or one or more additional machines.

58. (New) An apparatus as in Claim 57, wherein the instructions cause the processor to edit the checksuite by performing at least one of adding one or more new individual checks to the

checksuite, deleting one or more individual checks from the checksuite, or modifying one or more individual checks within the checksuite.

59. (New) An apparatus as in Claim 58, wherein the instructions further cause the processor to select one or more additional machines to receive the edited checksuite, and to apply the edited checksuite to the newly selected machines.

60. (New) An apparatus as in Claim 58, wherein the instructions further cause the processor to de-selecting at least one of the one or more machines previously selected, and to remove the edited checksuite from the deselected machines.

61. (New) An apparatus as claimed in claim 57, wherein the instructions further cause the processor to receive a command to select the checksuite, and to receive a command to edit the checksuite.